

**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

WHEREAS, the Tribal Attorney advises the Tribal Council that the leases for the Alchesay and William's Creek Fish Hatcheries on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation have expired; and

WHEREAS, the original lease agreements were for an initial term of 25 years with an option to renew for an additional term of 25 years provided that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service advised the Tribe of its intent to exercise that option not less than 12 months prior to the expiration date of the original terms, but that the Fish and Wildlife Service did not exercise its option; and

WHEREAS, the Fish and Wildlife Service has now requested that the business lease be renewed for an additional 25 years from the respective expiration dates of their initial terms which is 1985 for the Alchesay Hatchery and 1987 for the William's Creek Hatchery; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council wishes to study the request carefully and to make determinations which are in the best long term interest of the people of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and therefore concludes that a committee should be appointed to study the lease renewal request, best use for the Hatcheries and the feasibility of operating the Hatcheries as some Tribes do in the Northwest.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby appoints

Mr. Phillip Stago, or his designee
Council Members: Herbert Tate, Raymond Endfield, Jr.
Charles O'Hara or his designee, Tribal Planning Dept.
BIA Superintendent Benjamin Nuvamsa as ad hoc member

to study the Alchesay and William's Creek Hatchery programs, to investigate Fish Hatchery Programs operated by Tribes in the Northwest or other parts of the Country as appropriate and to make recommendations to the Tribal Council after completion of its comprehensive review and investigation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the foregoing named committee is authorized to apply for a planning grant from either the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to finance the committee's investigation and review, including travel to study other tribes which are presently operating fish hatcheries within their reservation or treaty lands.

The foregoing resolution was on April 12, 1993, duly adopted by a vote of seven for and zero against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i) of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council